

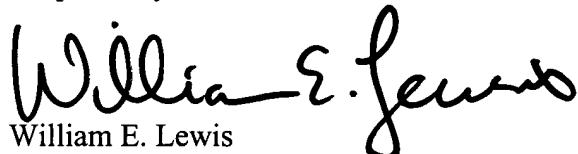
REMARKS

The present application was filed on April 25, 2001 with claims 1-33. In response to a restriction requirement, Applicants elected with traverse to prosecute claims 1-14, 16-29 and 31-33, and cancel claims 15 and 30. Further, in a Response to Office Action dated August 9, 2004, Applicants pointed out that the Examiner likely intended to include claim 32 in the non-elected grouping of claims 15 and 30.

In the outstanding Office Action, it appears that the Examiner is confirming the intent to include claim 32 in the non-elected grouping and requesting Applicants to cancel claim 32. Applicants hereby cancel claim 32 without prejudice to pursue such claim in a continuation application.

In view of the above, and based at least on arguments presented in Applicants' Response to Office Action dated August 9, 2004, Applicants believe that the pending claims of the present application are in condition for allowance, and respectfully request favorable reconsideration.

Respectfully submitted,



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